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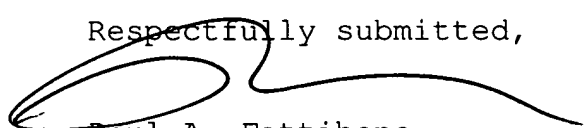
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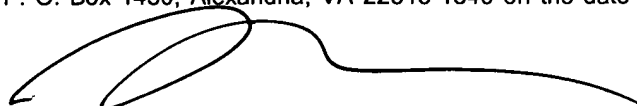
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**FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS**

	DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	COUNTRY	CLASS	SUB- CLASS	TRANSLATION	
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	64-73415	3/17/1989	Japan				X
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**OTHER DOCUMENTS (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)**

	"IDE CD-ROM Proposal" Western Digital, Pages 1-38, June 23, 1993
	DOS/V Magazine, Pages 98-117, December 1, 1992, Japan

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